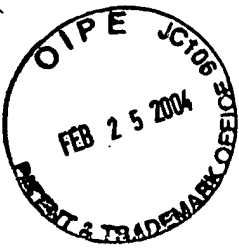


PATENT APPLICATION

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1734



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Shigeru TAMAI

Application No.: 09/610,572

Filed: July 5, 2000

For: COAT FILM TRANSFER HEAD DEVICE AND COAT FILM TRANSFER
TOOL

Attorney Docket No.: SNC-0002

Examiner: C. Hawkins

Art Unit: 1734

Confirmation No. 4419

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

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I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated August 26, 2003, the period for response being extended to February 26, 2004, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-12 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claims 1, 2, 11 and 12 are amended.

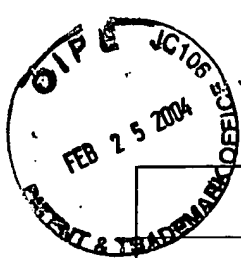
Applicants express their appreciation for the Examiner's allowance of claims 7, 9 and 10.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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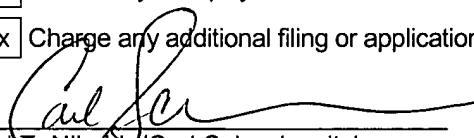
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED					
	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid	Number Extra Claims Present	Rate	
Total Claims	16	- 20 =		x	0.00
Independent Claims	6	- 9 =		x	0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					
Other fee (please specify): Extension for response within third month/ Notice of Appeal					640.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT:					640.00

☐ Large Entity☒ Small Entity☐ No additional fee is required for this amendment.☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 18-0013 in the amount of \$ 640.00

A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☐ A check in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the filing fee is enclosed.☐ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 18-0013 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.☒ Credit any overpayment.☒ Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.
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